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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of  
Nobumasa ABE

Docket No: Q77453

Appln. No.: 10/659,700

Group Art Unit: 2852

Confirmation No.: 4744

Examiner: Robert B. BEATTY

Filed: September 11, 2003

For: COLOR IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Careful consideration has been given to the Official Action dated February 23, 2005 and particularly to the election/restriction requirements therein.

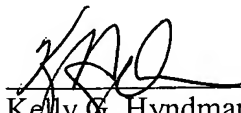
Pursuant thereto, applicant elects without traverse the invention designated by Invention I inclusive of claims 1-20, 22-25, 30, 32 and 33.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected Invention II.

It is respectfully requested that examination of the above application proceed on the basis of the election which has been made.

Respectfully submitted,

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